

REMARKS

Claims 1-20 and 22-24 are pending in this application. Claims 13-19 and 22-24 have been amended. Claim 21 is cancelled. Reconsideration and allowance of the claims are respectfully requested in view of the amendments and following comments.

Initially, Applicants wish to thank and acknowledge the Examiner for indicating that claims 1-12 and 20-22 are allowed.

Applicants note that in response to Applicants' amendment filed on May 7, 2007, the Examiner acknowledges that Rajkotia fails to teach "a partial BSPM wherein each partial BSPM contains information for one or more different BCMS flows, the sequence of plural partial BSPMs together containing information for all existing BCMC flows." Based on this acquiesce, the Examiner has allowed claims 1-12 and 20-22, but based on the same reasoning, the Examiner has rejected claims 13-19, 23 and 24. The Examiner alleges that claims 13-19, 23 and 24 only optionally limit the "partial BSPM."

In response, Applicants have amended independent claims 13, 23 and 24 to recite only the "partial BSPM." Applicants have also amended dependent claims 14-19 to be consistent with the amendment to base claim 13. Applicants request entrance of the amendment after final, because the amendment places the rejected claims in a condition for allowance. In addition, Applicants remind the Examiner that she left a telephonic message with Applicants' representative that if the rejected claims are amended to be consistent with the allowed claims, the amendment would be entered and allowed. Applicants request the Examiner to call the Applicants' representative to further discuss amendment to the claims, if for some reason the claims are not in a condition for allowance.

For at least the reasons given above, Applicants submit that all the pending claims are now in a condition for allowance.

CONCLUSION

In view of the above remarks and amendments, the Applicants respectfully submit that each of the rejections has been addressed and overcome, placing the present application in condition for allowance. A notice to that effect is respectfully requested. If the Examiner believes that personal communication will expedite prosecution of this application, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned.

Should there be any outstanding matters that need to be resolved in the present application, the Examiner is respectfully requested to contact Gary D. Yacura at the telephone number of the undersigned below.


If necessary, the Commissioner is hereby authorized in this, concurrent, and future replies, to charge payment or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 08-0750 for any additional fees required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.16 or under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17; particularly, extension of time fees.

Respectfully submitted,

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